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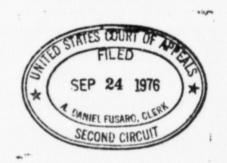
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(The following is an excerpt from the trial on April 27, 1976, afternoon session.)

(Jury enters box.)

TEE COURT: Now, all of you know where to go tomorrow morning at 9:30. You will check in downstairs and come up as usual. But, you are not to discuss the case until I call you into the courtroom and say a few final words to you. Then you begin your deliberations.

I am going to tell you what the law is now and I want you to follow these instructions. It is going to be your responsibility and yours alone to judge the facts. Weither the lawvers nor I can help you any more than we have up to this point in doing that.

I personally have no view at all as to the guilt or innocesce of this defendant.

My only purpose here and my only function is to see that this case is tried fairly and in accordance with the lay and the evidence as you have heard it.

The fact that the prosecution is brought in

the name of the United States is entitled to no weight at all. Everybody in this court is treated in the same way. Nobody is entitled to favor and no one is entitled to sympathy. The fact that there is an indictment is entitled to no weight at all. It is not evidence at all of guilt.

The defendant has pleaded not guilty and that means that the Government has the burden of proving guilt beyond a reasonable doubt with respect to each element of each of the three offenses that I am going to tell you about.

That burden never shifts to the defendant.

The defendant has not to prove his innocence. He doesn't have to submit any evidence at all. A presumption of innocence remains with him throughout the trial and must be considered by you in your deliberations.

A reasonable doubt means a doubt sufficient to cause a prudent person to hesitate to act in the most important affairs of his or her life. A reasonable doubt may result from the evidence produced or from the failure to produce evidence.

Finding an individual to be guilty of a felony and subjecting him to the possibility of punishment

is serious and you will consider this in determining whether you have a reasonable doubt.

Nevertheless, if at the end of your deliberations you are convinced beyond a reasonable doubt that the defendant is guilty, you should find him guilty of that crime.

In evaluating this evidence that you have heard you are going to have to rely upon your ammon sense and experience. Now, there are three separate crimes or counts charged and they all arise from the same event. Each one of these has to be considered separately, but obviously the evidence on one will also bear on the other.

what you're going to have to do is come in with a verdict. You can come in with a verdict as to each one, one at a time as you reach it, or wait until you've finished and tell us with respect to all three at the same time.

count 1 charges the defendant with illegal possession of a shotgun not registered to nimes provided by law. It reads as follows, I am nom going to read from the indictment.

"On or about the 15th day of May, 1975, within the Eastern District of New York, the

defendant Calvin McCray did knowingly, willfully and unlawfully possess firearms, as that term is defined in Title 2 of the Gun Control Act of 1968, to wit, a shotgun having a barrel length of less than eighteen inches, which firearm was not registered to the defendant Calvin McCray in the National Firearms Registration and Transfer Record, as required by Title 26, United States Code, Section 5841, which reads as follows:

"It is unlawful for any person to receive or possess a firearm which is not registered to him in the National Firearms Registration Transfer Record."

Now, in order to convict a defendant of this crime, the Government must prove beyond a reasonable doubt each of three elements.

First, that the defendant possess the item in question; second, that the item possessed was a serviceable firearm within the meaning of the law; and third, that the firearm was not registered to the defendant in the National Firearms Registration and Transfer Record maintained by the Secretary of Treasury.

Now, as to the first element, the Government must prove beyond a reasonable doubt that the defendant

was in possession of the item, which is as I recall
was Government's Exhibit 1, identified as the shotgun,
having a barrel length of less than 18 inches. I
believe that it is not contested that that item has
a barrel of less than 18 inches.

The law recognizes two kinds of possession:
actual possession and constructive possession.
A person who knowingly has direct physical control
over a thing at a given time is then in actual
possession of it.

A person who, although not in actual possession, knowingly has both the power and the intention at a given time to exercise dominion or control over a thing, either directly or through another person or persons, is then in constructive possession of it.

For example, I now have this pen in my hand,
I now have possession of this pen. If I hand it over
to the courtroom deputy, Mr. Sacco, and I say, here,
hold this for me, I am still in possession of it.
I am in constructive possession of it.

If I gave it to him so he could sign a document in my presence he would not be in possession within the meaning of the firearms law.

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Well, for example, if I possessed a gun and I went hunting with somebody and I handed it to a hunting companion to shoot in my presence and under my supervision, he would not be in possession within the meaning of the statute and he wouldn't have to register it in his name for that purpose, for handing it over for that few moments to use.

But, if I loaned it to him for a longer period to be held outside my presence, for example, if I lent it to him and I said, "Here, you are going hunting for a week. I'm not going with you. You can have my gun. Then he would have possession and under the statute he would have to register it.

The same thing would be true if I gave it t him under a pawn, security for a loan or if I gave it to him and said, 'Hold it and hide it for me, I'll get around and pick it up when I need it." That would be possession and he would have to have it registered in his name under the gun control act.

The reason for that is the purpose of the statute is to have the registered owner in immediate control of a gun or to have it in his home, car or boat that he controls.

So, if a person has a sealed package containing

example, if I put it in a trunk and I said, "Hold this trunk for me for a couple of weeks," and the person I gave it to didn't know there was a gun in it, he wouldn't be in possession of that gun within the meaning of the statute, even though we would say from a layman's point of view he would have possession of the gun, but he wouldn't have to register it in his own name; obviously, he wouldn't know he had it.

So he couldn't register it in his own name.

exists knowingly if the defendant's relation to it is both voluntary and intentional. A person does not knowingly do an act or allow a condition to exist if his action or failure to act resulted from a mistake, negligence or any other innocent reason. He did not know what was in the package, then he wouldn't have possession.

Knowledge may be proven by the defendant's conduct and by all the facts and circumstances surrounding the case. No person can intentionally avoid knowledge by closing his eyes to facts which should prompt him to investigate.

You may find that this defendant had possession

of the shotgun in question, that is the smaller of these items, if you find beyond a reasonable doubt that the defendant had actual or constructive possession of it as I have just defined these terms to you.

Now, as to the second element, the Government must establish beyond a reasonable doubt that the item in question was a serviceable firearm within the meaning of the statute. According to the statute, a firearms includes a shotgun with a barrel of eighteen inches, but does not include an antique firearm.

A shotgun is defined as a weapon, I am now quoting from the statute, "designed or re-designed, made or re-made, and intended to be fired from the shoulder and designed or redesigned and made or re-made to use the energy of the explosive in a fixed snotgun shell to fire through a smooth bore either a number of projectiles or a single projectile for each pull of the trigger, and shall include any such weapon which may be readily restored to fire a fixed shotgun shell."

An antique firearm means one not designed to be used with the conventional center fire ignition with fixed ammunition which was actually manufactured

before or after the year 1898 and any firearm using fixed ammunition manufactured in or before 1898 which no longer uses manufactured ammunition from this country, and I do not believe that anybody is contending that this is an antique.

Unservicable firearm means a firearm which is incapable of discharging a shot by means of an explosive.

You remember there was testimony that this
particular weapon was serviceable and had in fact been
test-fired. So, you may find that the defendant had
possession of a firearm within the meaning of the
statute if you find beyond a reasonable doubt that
he had possession of a weapon which is designed or
can be redesigned to be fired from the shoulder and
to fire through a smooth bore a projectile, provided
it's not an antique firearm.

The third element is that the firearm was not registered to the defendant in the National Firearms Registration and Transfer Record. If you're not registered, you can't possess such a weapon lawfully and here the defendant has stipulated that the qun was not registered, either to him or to Mr. Bouknight.

Tow, count 2 charges that the defendant

charges that the efendant illegally transferred the shotgun without complying with certain procedures required by law for the transfer of firearms. The indictment reads:

"On or about the 15th day of May, 1975, within the Eastern District of New York, the defendant Calvin McCray did knowingly, willfully and unlawfully transfer a firearm, as that term is defined in Title 2 of the Gun Control Act of 1968, to wit, a shotgun having a barrel length of less than eighteen inches, without complying with the provisions of the United States Code."

The United States Code, Title 26, Section 5861 (e) says, "It shall be unlawful for any person to transfer a firearm in violation of the provisions of this chapter."

Now, in order to violate the provisions of that chapter again the Government has to prove three elements.

First, that the defendant knowingly possessed the shotgun in question, and that that weapon was a serviceable firearm, as I have defined these terms to you.

Second, that the defendant knowingly and willfully transferred the shotgun to another. The

statute defines transfer as follows:

"The term transfer shall include selling, signing, pledging, leasing, loaning, giving away, or otherwise dispose of."

Any way you transfer it or give it over to someone else constitutes a transfer.

Third, the defendant must have failed to comply with the provisions of the title in question. That requires that a person who wishes to transfer a firearm first make application to the eccretary of the Treasury and have that application approved. I won't tell you what needs to be done in these applications because it has been stipulated that no such application for a transfer was made, either by Defendant McCray or by Mr. Bouknight.

If you find beyond a reasonable doubt that the defendant knowingly transferred the shotgun without complying with these requirements you may find him guilty.

is another aspect of the law that you have to consider, because you may find that the defendant is, what is called, an aider or abettor, and that he aided and abetted Mr. Bouknight in the commission of the crimes

charged.

The relevant statute, Section 2 of Title 18 of the United States Code reads:

"Whoever commits an offense against the United ctates or aids, abets, counsels, commands, induces or procures its commission, is punishable as a principal, and;

"Whoever willfully causes an act to be done which if directly performed by him or another would be an offense against the United States, is punishable as a principal."

In order to find aiding or abetting

Mr. Bouknight, if you find that Mr. Bouknight himself

committed a crime charged in either count 1 or 2,

it is necessary tl find that this defendant willfully

associated himself with the criminal venture as charged

and that he willfully participated in it as he would

something he wished to bring about. Mere presence at

the scene is not enough. He has to actually

participate in the venture in order to help bring it

about.

defendant aided or aberted Mr. Bouknight, you can ask yourselves such questions as these: "Did he willfully

and knowingly associate himself with a criminal venture to transfer a shotgun in violation of the law? Did he participate in it as something he wished to bring about? Did he seek by his actions to make it succeed? If he did, then he is an aider and abettor.

The aider and abettor must have knowledge of the facts constituting the crime. The defendant must have a criminal intent, but he need not know what the law is. Obviously, if he didn't know what was going on he is not guilty. If he had criminal intent to assist in the commission of a crime, then he would be an aider and abettor and it doesn't make any difference how much money he would get out of it or whether he would get anything out of it. But he has to have that criminal intent.

If he does have it, he is guilty the sameway as he would be as if he were the principal. It doesn't make any difference whether you find that Mr. Bouknight was aiding Mr. McCray in committing the crimes charged in counts 1 or 2 or that Mr. McCray was aiding Mr. Bouknight. The result would be the same.

But, this defendant has to know that it was criminal activity involved and not be just an innocent bystander.

Count 3 charges that the defendant conspired with Albert Bouknight to make an illegal transfer.

That count reads as follows:

"On or about the 15th day of May, 1975, within the Eastern District of New York, the defendant Calvin McCray and the defendant Albert Bouknight did knowingly and unlawfully combine, conspire and agree to commit an offense against the United States, to willfully and knowingly transfer a firearm, namely the eighteen-inch shotgun without complying with the provisions of Title 26, United States Code; and in furtherance of the conspiracy, the following overt acts were committed:

"On or about May 15, 1975, the defendants Calvin
McCray and Albert Bouknight went to the corner of
Hastings Place and South Franklin St., Hempstead, New
York; and

"On or about May 15, 1975, McCray and
Bouknight did deliver the afteresaid shotgun to an
agent of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms
of the United States Treasury Department."

So, if it existed, if it happened, it's in violation of Title 18, Section 371 which reads:

"If two or more persons conspire to commit an

offense against the United States and one or more of such persons do any act to effect the object of the conspiracy, each shall be guilty of a crime."

There are three elements that the Government has to prove beyond a reasonable doubt.

rirst, that there were two or more persons involved. A person cannot conspire with himself. In this case, you recall that it's charged that the two conspirators were Bouknight and this defendant.

Second, that they willfully and knowingly conspired, and;

Third, that they conspired to violate the laws of the United States.

In addition, the conspiracy has to be willfully entered into and entered into with the specific intent to violate the laws of the United States.

So you have to consider first, was there an agreement? Was this a willful and knowing agreement?

In order to find such an agreement, it's not necessary that the persons be together and enter into an express or formal agreement, the way you would when you are buying a house or a car or anything like that or state it orally or in writing all the details of the agreement. It is sufficient if they understood

it and they came to a mutual understanding of how they were going to accomplish an unlawful act together.

The evidence must show beyond a reasonable doubt that the conspiracy wasknowingly form 1 and that this defendant knowingly participated in the unlawful plan.

You can infer the agreement from the various activities and statements of the parties, also.

Generally, of course, more direct evidence of such conspirate, is not available. It has to have a criminal purpose and the criminal purpose here is to violate the law and I have explained the law with respect to the transfer of a weapon.

Now, there also has to be overt acts. You cannot under our law convict somebody for merely agreeing to commit a crime. Comething physical has to be done to carry out that agreement. Here the overt acts are in relation to the alleged meeting that took place on the corner between the occupants of these two cars. The Government has to prove one of those overt acts and it has to be in conformity with the charge, that is, in order to assist the parties in carrying out the conspiracy.

The act has to be willful and knowing. I

have described that to you. I am going to tell you again. It has to be done intentionally, deliberately, and voluntarily, with the specific intent to accomplish something that the law forbids, that is to say, with the bad purpose to disobey the law.

Now, so much for those three counts. The possession count, transfer count and conspiracy count.

Let me talk again in more general terms. This defendant called several character witnesses who testified as to his good character and reputation.

You may give such weight to the evidence as you deem appropriate, bearing in mind that evidence of good character, when considered with all of the other evidence in the case, may alone be sufficient to create a reasonable doubt of guilt.

In considering your verdict, you should consider this character evidence as well as all of the other evidence in the case.

As the attorneys indicated, a difficult problem for you is to evaluate the credibility of the various witnesses who testified. In doing so you can weigh the relationship of the witness to either the defendant or to the Government, the witness' bias, his or her interest in the outcome of the case, and the manner of the witness while testifying, as you observed

then, the witness' candor, frankness, intelligence, the extent to which the witness has been corroborated or contradicted by other credible evidence.

testified to here or between what the witness said here and some other time before the grand jury or to an agent or to another person. If you believe that a witness has willfully sworn falsely before you with respect to a material element of the case, you're entitled to completely ignore that witness' testimony. But, you may not want to do that. You may feel that a witness is telling the truth in part and not telling the truth in another part and you have to select which part you want to believe.

One of the Covernment's witnesses, Mr. Touknight, was an admitted criminal. He pleaded guilty and is facing a sentence. He testified that he was an accomplice in the crimes charged in the case.

The testinony of such a witness should be viewed with great caution and scrutinized carefully, because his criminal background may show a defect in his character which may make him more prone to lie or may lie to gain favor with the Covernment or to obtain a favor from the Court.

But that is for you to decide and you may base your verdict on your belief of such a witness.

I'm not suggesting you not believe. I was just suggesting you carefully evaluate that witness' testimony.

The defendant here also testified that he at all times acted properly and without any evil intent. He of course has an interest in his own acquittal and his testimony also should be scrutinized carefully.

Again, with that fact in mind that I'm not suggesting that you not believe him or that you believe him.

You'll just have to decide that for yourselves.

You shouldn't give any greater weight or credibility to the testimony of a witness merely because he is a federal official, Special Agent.

Their testimony is to be evaluated the same way as you would evaluate the testimony of any witness.

You have got to consider all of the evidence in the case, whether it was introduced by the defendant or by the prosecution.

obviously, the number of witnesses or the number of pieces of evidence is not determinative.

Your own recollection will govern you and if you want any of the testimony read back, we'll be happy to try to locate it for you. It has not been typed up. It

is still in these machines and it takes a little while to get it. So if a juror wants testimony, try to be specific, if you can, and you will understand why we can't give it to you right away. If you want any of the documents, we'll send those in. I don't think you will want the weapons no point in having them sent in.

If you want any more help with the charge, why, of course, you can send in a note and I'll call you in and I'll discuss it further with you.

I will give you a few more words tomorrow morning.

You will see that the marshals are sworn in, then you will proceed with your deliberations. Now, you all try to be here at 9:30 so we can promptly start.

Is there any other instructions counsel wishes me to make?

MR. BREWSTER: None, your Honor.

MR. NAGER: None, your Honor.

THE COURT: Good night. Have a pleasant evening. Be here at 9:30. You all know where you're going tomorrow.

(Jury excused.)

(Whereupon, the Court recessed.)

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, : 76-CR-110 -against- : CALVIN MC CRAY, Defendant. : United States Courthouse Prooklyn, New York April 23, 1976 9:30 o'clock A.M. Before: HONORABLE JACK B. WEIMSTEIN, U.S.D.J. RAY!!OND P. STALKER ACTING OFFICIAL COURT REPORTER 

#### Appearances:

DAVID C. TRACER, ECC.
United States Attorney
for the Eastern District of New York

BY: RICHARD BREWSTER, ESQ. Assistant U.S. Attorney

GEORGE MAGUR, 199. Attorney for Defendant

THE CLERK: Jury note marked Court Exhibit 9.
(Jury enters box.)

THE COURT: You wanted the testimony and we tried to get that for you.

Read it, please.

(Whereupon, the Court Reporter read back
Mr. William Lutz' testimony.)

THE COURT: You wanted testimony of Gagan about the money transfer on May 15th. Please read it.

(Whersupon, the Court Reporter read back the testimony.)

THE COURT: I see you've heard enough. We will stop reading.

Now, you want to hear the instructions on counts 2 and 3. I'll be happy to read them to you.

When you've heard enough you can let me know.

Count 2 reads:

"On or about the 15th day of May, 1975, within the Eastern District of New York, Defendant Calvin McCray did knowingly, willfully and unlawfully transfer a firearm, as that term is defined in the Gun Control Act, to wit, a shotgun having a barrel length of less than eighteen inches without complying with the provisions of the statute."

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This count alleges a violation of Title 26, Section 5861(e) of the United States Code, reading as follows:

"It shall be unlawful for any person to transfer a firearm in violation of the provisions of this chapter."

In order to convict the defendant of this crime, the defendant must prove beyond a reasonable doubt each of the following three elements:

First, that the defendant knowingly possessed the shotgun in question and that the weapon was a serviceable firearm, as I have already described it.

second, that the defendant knowingly and willfully transferred the shotgun to another. The statute defines to transfer as follows:

"The term transfer shall include selling, assigning, pledging, leasing, loaning, giving away, or otherwise disposing of."

Third, the defendant must have failed to comply with the provisions of the United STates Code with respect to an application for transfer, because you may not transfer anything without complying with the statute.

As to that, it has been stipulated that neither

Mr. McCray nor Mr. Bouknight complied with the statute 3 requiring these technical matters on the transfer.

> If you find beyond a reasonable doubt that the defendant knowingly transferred the shotgun without complying with the above requirements, you should find him guilty.

Under both counts 1 and 2 you may find the defendant guilty if you find that he aided and abetted Mr. Bouknight in the commission of the crimes charged.

Section 2 of Title 18 of the United States Code reads:

"Whoever commits an offense against the United States or aids, ahets, counsels, commands, induces or procures the commission, is punishable as a principal."

Or, whoever willfully causes an act to be done which if directly performed by him or another would be an offense against the United States, is punishable as a principal.

In order to find aiding and abetting, it is necessary to find the defendant willfully associated himself with the criminal venture charged and that he willfully participated in it as something he wished to bring about. Mere presence at the scene of a

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the defendant aided or abet ed, you must ask yourselves such questions as, "Did he willfully and knowingly associate himself with a criminal venture to transfer a shotgun in violation of the law? Did he participate in it as something he wished to bring about? Did he seek, by his actions, to help make it succeed? If he did, he 's an aider and abettor.

The aider and abettor must have knowledge of the facts constituting the crime. He must have a criminal intent and he doesn't have to know what the law is. That is to say, if he is intending to assist the act which would constitute the crime, knowing that there is criminal activity going on, then he is an aider and abettor.

It doesn't make any difference what the reasons are, whether he's doing it in order to make a profit or to help a friend or anything else.

It doesn't make any difference in this case.

Therefore, whether Bouknight was selling the gen and

McCray was aiding and abetting, as I have defined that

term, cr whether McCray was selling the gun and

Boukknight was aiding. They would be both treated the

same.

Count 3 charges that the defendant conspired with Albert Bouknight to make an illegal transfer.

That reads as follows:

"On or about the 15th day of May, 1975,
Calvin McCray and Albert Bouknight knowingly and
unlawfully conspired and agreed and combined to commit
an offense against the United States."

Excuse me, to knowingly transfer a firearm, as I have already described that transfer, and the following overt acts were committed:

The defendants McCray and Bouknight on May 15, 1975, went to the corner of hastings Place and South Franklin St., Hempstead, May 15th. The Defendants McCray and Bouknight did deliver the aforesaid shotgun to an agent of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms.

The conspiracy statute reads:

"If two or more persons conspire to commit
any offense against the United States, and one or more
of such persons do any act to effect the object of
the conspiracy, each is guilty of a crime."

more persons, that is Bouknight and the defendant were involved, second, that they willfully conspired and

willfully conspired and knowingly conspired; third, the conspiracy was to violate the laws of the United States, and that they had the specific intent to do an act which would constitute a violation of the laws of the United States. You have to first ask whether there was a conspiracy, which is essentially an agreement and they do not have to state specific language what they are agreeing to. If they came to a mutual understanding, either before or during the course of their activities with respect to what they wanted to do together, that would be an agreement.

They would have to understand that there was going to be a transfer of firearms in violation of the statute.

You don't normally have specific evidence of this kind of conversation, so you have to infer from what happened whether they did come to this mutual implied understanding. In this case, the understanding they would sell the guns, because that's essentially what is charged here.

In addition, they have to commit an overt act.

That is, they have to do something toward selling and here it is charged they actually went to this spot.

Is there anything further you want on that, any request that counsel would like?

MR. NACER: Yes, your Honor.

MR. BREWSTER: Yes.

THE COURT: Would you approach the side bar?

JUROR NO. 8: Can we ask questions?

THE COURT: Sentlemen, come to the side bar and the juror will ask a question.

JUROR NO. 8: Can all three counts be judged independently, if they are found guilty or --

independently. You can consider the evidence, of course, with respect to all the counts, but you have to come in with three decisions and you are going to be asked guilty or not guilty on count 1, guilty or not guilty on count 2, and guilty or not guilty on count 3. You can, depending upon how you decide the case, you can come in with not guilty on all, guilty on all, or guilty on some and not guilty on others.

JUROR NO. 8: Count 2, the initial part of the transfer relates to possession, would you clarify that little bit?

THE COURT: There has to be a transfer of possession from one person to another.

JUROR NO. 8: It doesn't relate to the possession charged in the first count?

THE COURT: Somebody has to have possession.

Either Bouknight or this defendant and there has to
be a transfer from one or both of them to the agent.

(The following occurred at the side bar.)

MR. NACER: I have a request with respect to possession. There cannot be a transfer unless somebody has possession --

THE COURT: Do you want me to tell them that?

I just did.

MR. HAGER: Pardon me. There was also something, if it was sealed in a box, he never came into possession?

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(The following occurred in open court.)

THE COURT: Ladies and gentlemen, he would have to know, for this defendant to have participated in the transfer, he would have to know what was being transferred.

Let's assume there was a sealed case and I ask you, would you turn that over to somebody and he turns it over and I didn't know what was in it. He couldn't be guilty of transferring a gun if there was a gun in it. He would have to know what was being transferred at the time of transfer.

(The following occurred at side bar.)

MR. BREWSTER: I would ask you to point out that you would, however, not have to know what was happening -- the transfer taking place was illegal --

MR. NAGER: Yes, he does.

MR. BREWSTER: The Supreme Court has made that crystal-clear --

(The following occurred in open court.)

THE COURT: These people don't have to know all the regulations, you understand that. He would have to know that he was transferring this gun as part of an illegal scheme here.

JUROR NO. 3: I would like to know when the

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conspiracy starts and when does it end?

THE COURT: It can be a very short conspiracy. It could have started very shortly before, while they were in the car, days before. It doesn't have to have a specific term.

In this case, it is charged that the conspiracy took place on or about the 15th day of May. It could have started before the 15th and ended after the 15th or it could have started any time on the 15th and ended on the 15th.

It does not have to be for any specific length of time. You can enter into a contract just for a few minutes before the act is done. But you have to agree.

(Side bar.)

MR. NAGER: You can enter into it simultaneously and --

(The following occurred in open court.)

THE COURT: He would have to enter into the conspiracy before it actually physically started, the handing over. It doesn't make any difference how long before.

(The following occurred at side bar.)

MR. NAGER: With respect to aiding and abetting,

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he has to have a substantial involvement in the chain of events leading up immediately to the crime --

MR. BREWSTER: I don't think that is right.

THE COURT: I think I have charged on that.

Anything else?

MR. NAGER: I just want to make sure on that aspect of conspiracy, if he and during the course of turning it over and he discovered it, the conspiracy could have taken place at this time --

MR. BREWSTER: I object to any further instructions. It would tend to be confusing.

THE COURT: Anything further? Enjoy your lunch.
(The following occurred in open court.)

THE COURT: Enjoy your lunch. The sandwiches will be delivered in a few minutes. If there is anything further, the marshals will get it for you.

(Whereupon, the jury retired to their deliberations at 12:05 p.m.)

(chort recess.)

(Time noted: 12:30 p.m.)

(Jury now present.)

MR. NAGER: Your Honor, the application that I wanted to make was this: There was a question of the Court, when does a conspiracy start? Now, I

submit that is a question in a man's mind and in other words, can a conspiracy start up if I do this, if I hand over something immediately and if Mr. Brewster were to ask me to hand this over and I handed it over to him at this particular time, can it be said to be a conspiracy, can I be conspiring with him in a particular act at the same time it started? Can I be considered to be conspiring with an individual if I'm sitting in a car, not knowing there's anything that is going to be illegally done, and then I subsequently arrive at this particular stage, there hasn't been a guilty partnership, but there's got to be something. I think the question that was asked and the answer that was given left that unresolved.

THE COURT: Read that back and let's see.

(Whereupon, the Court Reporter read back the Judge's instructions.)

MR. MACER: That's the point I'm making, one can enter into a conspiracy on only one circumstance. That he's aware of something that it is going to be done. In other words, as I say, as part of the act, hand me something. Does that make me a participator, a partner in it? I've got to enter into something. I cannot just be an agent.

question.

MR. NAGER: May I take exception to that, as I believe, and as it was read back, it left a big question in my mind and I don't know what it may possibly lead in the gentleman's mind who asked the

remarkably able. I notice the juror No. 7 was taking notes. They were all extremely alert during the trial. A number of them were young, one of them is a student of the law. They had no hesitation in asking any questions when they were bothered.

They all indicated by shaking their head, an affirmation that they understood and I would have been happy to respond to further questions if there was any desire on their part to do so.

But it is my practice not to volunteer information in a situation like this.

MR. NAGER: Your Honor, I am not trying to persist, but I believe they look to the Court for guidance on these complex questions. If there is a dubiousness that exists as to how people in law interpret it, I think that no matter how alert they are -- you are the voice of experience and they should

look to you for clarification. If there is anything that is really unclear, it militates against my client as well as I believe --

THE COURT: My action in reviewing them, they were all satisfied and they had no further questions.

If I thought there was any doubt I would have asked them. What is the impression of the Covernment?

MR. BREWSTER: My impression, your Honor?

The conspiracy question was very clear. My fear would be any further language on that point would not tend to clarify it, but --

THE COURT: If they wanted anything further -MR. WACER: May I take exception to that
question concerning the transfer, that is in order to
do it one must possess it and I don't think that is
sufficiently clear.

THE COURT: I thought I said that.

MR. BEEMSTER: I believe the Court was clear that one of the two had to possess it.

MR. MAGER: But the one that we're talking about, is that the name Calvin McCray specifically?

If I'm not mistaken in Indictment 2 --

THE COURT: But there's an aiding and abetting charge there. I don't understand your point.

MR. NAGER: That is the point, your Honor.

If Calvin McCray was not officially in possession of the item as set forth in Count 2, one could not be charged with the transfer, unless he were an aider and abettor and they would have to resolve that. But, count 2, as I read it, Calvin McCray is principally charged with transfer.

THE COURT: Also aiding and abetting.

MR. NAGER: I would say that it's more clear if you say --

THE COURT: I don't believe so. The charge is very clear. It mentions Section 2. There was no objection taken to the charge, which makes the aider and abettor aspect applicable to counts 1, 2 and probably there was no objection because that is the way the Government's indictment reads.

MR. NAGER: But I do except to what -- I have my exceptions with respect to the charge.

THE COURT: Your exception is r. ted.

MR. NAGER: Thank you.

Your Honor, if they are going to have lunch, I assume it might be permissible --

1.3 COURT: I'm not going to be back until 2:25. You can take your lunch.

MR. NAGER: Thank you.

(Court recessed.)

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